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April 9, 2003

Mr. Dave Geraci
Project Manager – Asset Management
CSX Transportation
500 Water Street – J200
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Re: CSX Transportation, Inc. Proposed Line Abandonment in Floyd County, Kentucky. Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 627X)

Dear Mr. Geraci:

The State Historic Preservation Office has received for review your request for a determination of eligibility for structures/features over fifty years of age within the above referenced undertakings area of potential effect. Photographs, drawings, and other materials relating to three bridge structures over fifty years of age (CSX Bridge No. 77, CSX Bridge No. 101, CSX Bridge No. 121) and one rock tunnel over fifty years of age (CSXT Tunnel No. 2) were submitted for evaluation and the following determinations were made: We concur that CSX Bridge No. 77 and CSX Bridge No. 121 are not eligible for listing on the National Register and that further review will not be required. We do believe, however, that CSX Bridge No. 101 and the rock tunnel constructed in 1921 are eligible for listing on the National Register. While we are uncertain at this time whether these structures are slated for demolition, we are fairly certain that the line abandonment alone will adversely affect these resources indirectly through neglect and continual deferred maintenance. It is therefore requested that CSX Transportation continue consultation with this office to determine the effects of this undertaking and to discuss potential mitigation measures.

Please coordinate this effort with Craig Puts of my staff who may be reached at (502) 564-7005 ext. 121.

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